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February 11, 2013

Mr. Travis A. Paris, Environmental Manager Aggregates USA, LLC P.O. Box 15005 Knoxville, TN37901

RE: NPDES PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEW

Aggregates USA, LLC Midway Quarry NPDES Permit No. TN0031089 Knox County

Dear Mr. Paris:

The Mining Section has reviewed the application to renew with modification the above referenced permit. During the review process, the following concern was noted and communicated to you for clarification and resolution.

You indicated in the application and on the Site Plan your intentions to exclude the tenant ready-mix concrete plant from the permit affected area. This ready-mix plant has been inactive for several years and is partially dismantled and currently used for concrete barrier storage.

The drainage from the quarry and the ready-mix plant is co-mingled and cannot be separated. Treatment is accomplished in Pond 1C and eventually seeps back to the quarry pit before being discharged to Outfall 001.

Currently, the Site Plan has Pond 1C included within the tenant ready-mix concrete plant exclusion area. Since Pond 1C has always been part of the historical treatment process for Midway Quarry, it should be included within the permit affected area of the quarry. As discussed, it was agreed that Pond 1C would be included in the permit affected area. Please revise the Site Plan to include Pond 1C in the permit affected area, and please adjust the acreage difference accordingly.

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The ready-mix tenant concrete plant will be required to apply for the appropriate Tennessee NPDES General Permit that most accurately depicts the current use of the site, until such time the concrete plant is in production or relocates to another site.

Thank you in advance for your help in resolving this matter. Please submit this information as soon as possible in order to avoid delays in processing your application. If you have any questions, you may call at (865) 594-5555 or e-mail at bryan.epperson@tn.gov.

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Sincerely,

Bryan Epperson

Environmental Specialist

Division of Water Resources-Mining Section

cc: Bobby Brooks, Inspector, Knoxville-EFO

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